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NOTICE.

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SANG KEE.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [466

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SUITABLE FOR OFFICES.
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HO TUNG
Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [467

THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL.

By kind Permission of Captain the Hon. HEDWORTH LAMPTON,
THE DRAMATIC COMPANY
OF
H.M.S. "POWERFUL"
Will give a Performance
ON
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The whole to conclude with the Laughable Farce,
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Soldiers and Sailors half-price except to the Back Seats.
Seats may be Booked at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.'s Saloon.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [468

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAILOONG,"
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 17th Inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [464

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "LOMBARD," FROM PORTLAND, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [9

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1898.

TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY) and TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 16th and 17th February.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD. Price $5 for the Meeting.
Tickets for the Day may be purchased at the Gate; Price $2 each.
No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [a432

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 16th and 17th inst.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [a433

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Days *without Tickets*, which can be had on application to the Undersigned.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [a434

THE MICASTOS FACTORY.

MR. C. HOLDSWORTH, Superintendent at Works, Saulsiwan Road, Hongkong.

The General Managers are prepared to enter into contracts for covering boilers and steam pipes with either
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55 cts. per superficial square foot for boilers
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All works will be under the personal supervision of Mr. Holdsworth and all orders must be sent through the undersigned.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1898. [427

JOHN WALKER & SONS' FAMOUS KILMARNOCK WHISKY.

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G. C. ANDERSON,
No. 13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 20th July, 1897. [a38

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THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB
WILL GIVE TWO PERFORMANCES OF
"THE DUCHESS OF BAYSWATER & CO."
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and
MONDAY, 21st February, 1898,
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Half price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors, and Police in Uniform.
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Late trains quarter of an hour after fall of curtain.
E. W. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898. [384

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-Year ending 31st December last at the rate of ONE POUND and FIVE SHILLINGS Stg. per Share of $125 is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 14th inst., at the OFFICES of the CORPORATION, where Shareholders are requested to apply for WARRANTS.
By Order of the Court of Directors.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [443

WANTED, A EUROPEAN NURSE to look after three grown up Children.
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Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. [409

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110, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1898. [343

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [453

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W. H. TALBOT,
Sub-Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1898. [388

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,155.

A REGULAR MEETING of the PERSEVERANCE LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL TO-NIGHT, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1898. [438

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASON'S HALL on FRIDAY, the 18th inst., at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [429

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On View from THURSDAY, 17th Feb. 1898.
TERMS:—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [459

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 59.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the spot, on MONDAY, the 21st day of FEBRUARY, 1898, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898. [450

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 21st day of FEBRUARY, 1898, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Quantity in Square ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price.
			N. S. E. W.			
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By Order.
Kobe, 3rd January, 1898. [241

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

THE ORDINARY SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 375 for TWENTY-FIVE ORDINARY SHARES numbered 10,625/10,649 standing in the Register in the name of WERNER KROHN, of Foochow, having been declared LOST, notice is hereby given that unless the said certificate be produced at the LIQUIDATOR'S OFFICE, No. 9, PRAYA CENTRAL, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 26th day of February, 1898, a new certificate for the said shares will be issued and the old certificate will thereafter be held by the Liquidator as null and void.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Liquidator of the Punjom Mining Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1898. [398

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Coal Merchant,
No. 34, Praya Central.
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Macaroni.
FISH.
Fried.
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ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15, LOMBARD, British str., 1,658, C. W. Raison, Portland, Or., via Japan 3rd Jan., Coal and General.—DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.
Feb. 15, HANSA, German str., 1,202, W. Marty, Saigon 9th February, Rice and General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.
Feb. 15, HAILOONG, British str., 784, Robson, Tamsui 11th Feb., Amoy 13th, and Swatow 14th, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Feb. 15, TUTUAN, Spanish str., 323, Jose A. Madriaga, Manila 12th Feb., Ballast.—BRANDAO & Co.
Feb. 15, HERMES, Norw. str., 849, J. C. Jonson, Hongay 12th Feb., Coal.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

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AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
15TH FEBRUARY.
Chowtai, British str., for Swatow.
Polyphemus, British str., for Singapore.
Frejr, Danish str., for Hoihow.
Chingtu, British str., for Port Darwin.
Nanyang, German str., for Swatow.
Apenrade, German str., for Haiphong.
Hoihow, British str., for Swatow.
Anna Bertha, German bark, for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 15, TETARTOS, German str., for Yokohama.
Feb. 15, HAILAN, French str., for Pakhoi.
Feb. 15, LOONGMOON, German str., for Canton.
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HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 16th, 1898.

The success of Germany in dealing with the invertebrate body doing duty as a Government at Peking has certainly had some good results. Having made ample compensation to the German Government for the murder of German missionaries in Shantung, they could not refuse the indemnity asked by France for the kidnapping of a Frenchman in Tonkin. It is true that this is not the first outrage of the kind suffered by Frenchmen in that so called protectorate, nor the first time that an indemnity has been paid, the Lyaudet family having been compensated for their abduction and the hardship to which they were subjected during their captivity; but on the present occasion a settlement seems to have been effected more promptly. At first sight it seems rather hard to expect the Peking Government to exercise control over the actions of Chinese banditti beyond their jurisdiction. When France assumed the protectorate of Annam and Tonkin, China was relieved of her responsibilities as suzerain over those kingdoms, and could not be expected to make herself answerable for their peace and good order or account for the safety of foreigners travelling or trading there. But this is not the point; it is not, we believe, on these grounds the claim has been put forward. What has happened for many years is this. The Government of Yunnan, somewhat more corrupt and unscrupulous than that of most other provinces of the Chinese Empire—because further removed from control by the Central Administration—were accustomed in former times when the soldiers of the provincial forces asked for their long over due pay to give them a supply of ammunition and tell them to cross the frontier and help themselves to what they could get by loot. The Black Flag bands had already pioneered the way in this line, and the Imperial soldier had no scruples in following the example so successfully set. That these banditti were Chinese was quickly known, and that they were regular troops was discovered ere long both by the tactics shown and the breechloading rifles and ammunition they carried. The ransoms demanded for many abducted Frenchmen have had to be paid before their release, and this has emboldened these wandering bands to fly at high game. Moreover, the predatory expeditions of these Chinese brigands served to incite the lawless part of the native population to similar deeds, and all efforts of the French authorities in Tonkin to repress piracy so-called have failed. No doubt the country might have been brought into a better condition had the French administration been more vigorous and more strongly supported by arms, but whatever the shortcomings of the Tonkin authorities they had good right to complain when bands of soldiers were permitted and even encouraged to roam over the Yunnan frontier into the country to make up for loss of pay by plunder of their neighbours. It is therefore with satisfaction we note that the French Government have at length succeeded in making the Chinese understand that such invasions of peaceful countries will not be tolerated in the future.

The N. P. steamer *Columbia* arrived at Tacoma from Hongkong and Japan on the 12th instant.

The P. and O. steamer *Bengal* left Singapore for this port, with the incoming English mails at 6 p.m. on the 14th inst., and may be expected to arrive here about 2 p.m. on Sunday next, the 20th instant.

The Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company's steamer *Powan*, having repaired the damage sustained in the recent collision with the *Kwanglee*, has resumed her place as night boat on the Canton line. Captain Clarke, who has been temporarily transferred from the Macao boat *Heungshan*, is in command.

The Dramatic Company of H.M.S. *Powerful* will, by kind permission of Captain the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, give a performance in the Theatre Royal on Wednesday evening next, the programme of which will be found in our advertisement columns. The Company possesses a high reputation and in the other ports where they have performed their entertainments have invariably drawn large audiences and afforded much enjoyment.

At a special meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday morning it was resolved to declare No. 4 Health District an area infected with smallpox. There were 48 cases of smallpox last week and most of them came from No. 4 district. The effect of the resolution is that house to house visitations can be made and steps taken for the proper cleansing of unwholesome premises. It was also resolved to open a free vaccination station in No. 4 district and at the Tung Wa Hospital, and to appoint an assistant sanitary inspector.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[Supplied to the "Daily Press."]

London, 13th February.

MR. GLADSTONE'S HEALTH.

Mr. Gladstone is steadily improving.

CHINA AND GREAT BRITAIN.

Great Britain is negotiating at Peking for the navigation of the inland waters, and the opening of Yuen Chow in the province of Hunan.

CHINA AND FRANCE.

China has agreed to pay compensation for the kidnapping of a Frenchman in Tonkin.

CHINA AND THE BURMAH RAILWAY.

China has granted Great Britain the right to extend the Burmah railway through Yunnan.

CRICKET.

New South Wales has beaten Stoddart's team by 239 runs.

PARLIAMENTARY.

An amendment to the address by Mr. John Redmond in favour of an independent Irish parliament and executive was rejected by a majority of 158. Sir William Harcourt declined to support the amendment because it ignored Imperial supremacy. The Liberals voted with the majority.

HONGKONG RACE MEETING.

FIRST DAY,—TUESDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY.

The 1898 Hongkong race meeting opened ... year. The outlook early yesterday morning was certainly not particularly promising, but towards eleven o'clock the air cleared and although the sun was obscured during most of the day the weather was fine, but the absence of any breeze made the atmosphere very sultry. The private stands gaily displayed a highly picturesque assortment of flags and streamers and foliage, while the grand stand decorations consisted principally in the bright effect produced by the presence of a very large number of nicely dressed ladies and—for the races—faultlessly attired gentlemen. Judging by the many seen yesterday, there has been an abnormal run on tall white hats and frock coats, indicating, doubtless, an increased interest in our great sporting fixture. It is extraordinary, too, how great is the interest that the Chinese take in the races. During the past three or four days five or six thousand Chinese have arrived in the colony from Canton, and all day yesterday the green was swarmed with natives, who seemed to be as pleasantly excited over the racing as the people in the enclosure. During the afternoon the band of the King's Own Lancaster Regiment played several selections of music. The police arrangements for the proper control of the heavy traffic were most efficient.

The racing was thoroughly enjoyable, big fields, close finishes, and good times being the order of the day. Owing to the strict enforcement of an excellent rule the last event was over before darkness set in. No pony was allowed to go on to the course after the third bell, and jockeys were requested to verify their weights on the extra scales before getting weighed by the clerk of the scales. This rule saved much valuable time and consequently all the races were started almost punctually, the whole of the day's proceedings being over at 5.20. Four events were decided before tiffin, and the Derby was the second race after the usual interval. There were twelve runners and there was much speculation about the result. Plunger was by many people looked upon as the winner, but as events proved he was very easily beaten, Yenesei obtaining the victory after a race which was full of interest. Contrary to his usual custom Mr. Master was not very fortunate in his mounts, scoring only one victory, but he was unfortunately suffering from fever and this circumstance no doubt accounts for the falling off in his record. The principal event to-day is the race for the German Cup, for which there is every probability of a large field turning out.

The following is a list of the officials:—

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The Wong-nei-chong Stakes; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $100 added; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; griffins on date of entry allowed 3 lbs.; subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98, allowed 7 lbs. Half a mile.

Mr. John Peel's Silver Bell, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Master) 1
Mr. Lintom's Slander, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Crawford) 2
Mr. Buxey's Red Rose, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 3
Mr. Bobjack's Greenfinch, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 0
Mr. Boyd's Viceroy, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Burkhill) 0
Capt. Burney's Sport, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Bratton) 0
Mr. Dryasdust's Provost Marshall, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Marshall) 0
Mr. Hopeful's Orinoco, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. W. Cox) 0
Lt.-Col. The O'Gorman's Morrison, 10st. 12lbs. ...... (Capt Loveband) 0
Mr. G. H. Potts's Tocsin, 11st. 4lbs. ...... (Capt. Burney) 0

A punctual and fairly good start was made. Silver Bell was the first to come from the bunch, Viceroy being close up, with Sport and Red Rose handy. Silver Bell continued to hold a slight advantage on entering the straight and then Slander came out in beautiful style. A capital race ensued between Silver Bell and Slander, the verdict going to the former, who won by a short head. Red Rose was a good third, Viceroy, three lengths behind, being fourth. Time, 59¼ secs.

The "Victoria" Stakes; a sweepstakes of $10 each with $250 added; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale. One mile.

Messrs. McKie & Gove's Roitelet, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Crawford) 1
Mr. Dennis's Guiding Star, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 2
Mr. Hopeful's Tyne (late Langkat), 11st. 4lbs. (Mr. W. Cox) 3
Mr. Dryasdust's Birkleigh, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Marshall) 0
Mr. Hy. Edgar's Tantivy, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Bucknell) 0
Mr. John Peel's Kenneth, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Master) 0
Mr. Westfield's Desperation, 11st. 1lb ...... (Capt. Burney) 0

This race was an exceedingly interesting one from start to finish. The flag fell to a good start, Tantivy, Desperation, and Tyne being the leaders with Roitelet, who was kept in reserve, last. At the bridge Kenneth went up and got abreast of Tantivy, and towards the hill he overtook Desperation, who then fell back in the rear. Kenneth forged ahead and got a lead of a length, but on reaching the village Roitelet came out and got into a beautiful stride, being one of the leaders on entering the straight. Kenneth was evidently beaten and fell back, the [illegible] being left to Roitelet, Guiding Star, Tyne and Birkleigh, all of whom ran a splendid race home, Roitelet, for the second year in succession, winning by half a length; a length and a half between second and third, and half a length between third and fourth. Time, 2 mins. 5¾ secs.

The Maiden Stakes; value $400; second pony to receive $75; third, $50; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Buxey's Tube Rose, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 1
Mr. Darius's Undaunted, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Master) 2
Mr. Dryasdust's Outpost, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Marshall) 3
Mr. Beurmann's Lohengrin, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Burkhill) 0
Mr. Bobjack's Display, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 0
Mr. David's Rubio, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Sampson) 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Fortunatus, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Crawford) 0
Mr. W. York's Buckingham, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Capt. Burney) 0

There was practically no delay at the post. Lohengrin, Fortunatus, and Display showed the way, and at the hill they were joined by Rubio. At the village, however, Tube Rose came up and just before entering the straight Undaunted pushed to the front and from that point the race lay wholly between Tube Rose and Undaunted. Both ponies were severely whipped and the result of the struggle was that Tube Rose scored the victory by a length; six lengths between second and third. Time, 1 min. 30¼ secs.

The Valley Stakes; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $200 added; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; for subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98; weight for inches as per scale. Three quarters of a mile.

Messrs. McKie & Gove's Beechwood, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Crawford) 1
Mr. John Peel's Deceiver, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Master) 2
The Neighbour's Landsknecht, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Burkhill) 3
Mr. Bobjack's Chaffinch, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 0
Mr. Buxey's Silver Link, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 0
Mr. David's Springfield, 11st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Sampson) 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Shetland, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Cruickshank) 0
Mr. George's Mulatto, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Davis) 0
Mr. Hart Buck's Ingoldsby, 10st. 7lbs. (Mr. Hart Buck) 0
Mr. M. Leon's Glaneur, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Baron Foy) 0
Mr. Medico's Hector, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Capt. Loveband) 0
Mr. G. H. Potts's Whirlwind, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. W. Cox) 0
Mr. Tilbro's Honest John, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Marshall) 0

The fourteen runners were out in good time, but as was expected there was some delay at the post. The flag at length fell to a rather scrambling start. Deceiver, Landsknecht, and Hector were the first to show up, and the order of running was processional all through the race. Beechwood got the lead in the straight, and won a rather uninteresting race by two lengths. It was a good struggle for second honours. Time, 1 min. 34 secs.

The Foochow Cup; value $250; presented by the Foochow community; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $5. Two miles.

Mr. Dryasdust's Sinbad, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Marshall) 1
Mr. Tin Wo's Dogoni Wetr, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Cruickshank) 2
Mr. John Peel's Pineapple, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Master) 3
Mr. Buxey's Black Eagle, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Blue-fire, 11st. 1lb .. (Mr. Burkhill) 0

The ponies were soon got off, Sinbad being first, Dogoni Wetr second, and (several lengths behind) Pineapple third, Blue Fire fourth, and Black Eagle last. Just before entering the straight Black Eagle caught up Blue Fire and the pair almost overtook Pineapple. At the bridge the ponies closed up, but there was no alteration in the order. In the straight Sinbad obtained a very big advantage and won in a common canter by several lengths. Time—4 mins. 23 secs.

The Hongkong Derby; a sweepstakes of $20 each with $1,500 added; (half forfeit if declared on or before day of closing entries); for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry (Saturday, 15th January, 1898); first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a half.

Mr. Hopeful's Yenisei, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. W. Cox) 1
Mr. Boyd's Rockwood, 11st. 7lbs ...... (Mr. Marshall) †
Mr. Buxey's Tea Rose, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) †
Mr. Bobjack's Solitaire, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 0
Mr. Carruther's Honest Indian, 11st. 4lbs ... (Mr. Cruickshank) 0
Mr. David's Statesman, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Capt. Loveband) 0
Mr. David's Bannerman, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Sampson) 0
Mr. Denni's The Unknown, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Davis) 0
Mr. Hart Bucks's Oliver, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Owner) 0
Mr. "J. M. D.'s" Plunger, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Burkhill) 0
Messrs. McKie & Gove's Beechnut, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Crawford) 0
Mr. John Peel's Queensberry, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Master) 0

The Unknown appeared at the outset to give his jockey some trouble and he had to be lead to the post. Oliver and Mr. David's two ponies were the first to get away after a very good start, Queensberry being fourth. On passing the stand for the first time Bannerman was first, Queensberry second, Oliver third, Statesman fourth, and Rockwood fifth, Plunger being near at hand. Solitaire came up from behind and looked dangerous. After passing the bridge the ponies were all in a bunch and riding hard. Solitaire was the first to show prominently, being followed by Yenesei, and the two went a long away ahead, but at the village Tea Rose came out and got into a beautiful stride, but Yenesei was already too far ahead to admit of any doubt as to the result and he won comfortably by half a dozen lengths. Tea Rose and Solitaire ran a dead heat for second place, Rockwood being fourth, and Plunger fifth a long way behind. Time, 3 mins. 14½ secs.

The Lusitano Cup; presented by the members of the Club Lusitano; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies, weight for inches as per scale; previous winners at this meeting 7lbs. extra; subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98, allowed 7lbs.; entries $10. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Buxey's White Rose, 11st. 1lbs ...... (Mr. Wuilleumeir) 1
Mr. John Peel's Red Fish, 11st. 1lbs ...... (Mr. Master) 2
Messrs. McKie & Gove's Glenmore, 11st. 1lbs. (Mr. Crawford) 3
Mr. Boyd's Dunblane, 11st. 1lbs ...... (Mr. Burkill) 0
Mr. David's Aspirant, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Sampson) 0
Mr. Hy Edgar's Castanet, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Bucknall) 0
Mr. Tin Wo's Jeevohik, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Cruickshank) 0

The ponies started in an even line. Aspirant and Castanet took a slight advantage of the remainder, who were running in close order. On passing the stand Castanet was leading by half a length, Aspirant, and Red Fish being the nearest to him. At the plantation Dunblane made an effort to overhaul Red Fish, but seeing this Mr. Master whipped up his pony and on the hill took first position from Castanet. Passing the village White Rose came out gallantly and challenged Red Fish, while Glenmore took up a strong third position. In this order they ran down the straight, White Rose winning a capital race by a length and a half. Glenmore was third six lengths behind, and Jeevohik was fourth. Time, 2 mins. 39½ secs.

The Compradors' Cup; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98; weight for inches as per scale; winner of Valley Stakes 5lbs. extra; entrance $5. One mile.

Mr. George's Mulatto, 11st. 1lbs ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 1
Mr. G. H. Potts's White Heather, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. W. Cox) 2
Mr. Hart Buck's Ingoldsby, 10st. 6lbs ...... (Mr. Burkhill) 3
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Gamecock, 10st 6lbs ... (Mr. Master) 0
Mr. Jay's Mansachto, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Sampson) 0
Messrs. McKie & Gove's Beech Tree, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Crawford) 0

Gamecock, Mansachto, and Beech Tree lead the way until reaching the bridge, when Gamecock swerved and attempted to get out by the gate. He was never able to make good the ground he had thus lost. Ingoldsby went forward, but all the ponies assumed close order. Going up the hill Mulatto left the crowd and quickly took a lead of a couple of lengths, increasing it to half a dozen lengths on reaching the village. White Heather was now the most prominent of the others and in the straight he and Mulatto ran a very fine race, the latter getting home by a head. Ingoldsby and Mansachto ran an exceedingly close race for third position, Ingoldsby getting placed with only a head to the good. Time, 2 mins. 13¾ secs.

The Hongkong Club Cup; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $15. One mile and a half.

Mr. Hopeful's Orwell, 11st. 7lbs. (Mr. W. Cox) 1
Mr. Dennis's Guiding Star, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 2
Mr. John Peel's Mufti, 11st. 4lbs ...... (Mr. Master) 3
Mr. Buxey's Surprise, 10st. 12lb ...... (Mr. Marshall) 0
Mr. Buxey's Hedge Rose, 11st. 4lb ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 0
Mr. Linton's Slander, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Crawford) 0
Mr. Westfield's Desperation, 11st. 1lb. ...... (Capt. Burney) 0

Orwell very quickly took the lead, Mufti and Desperation being the next in order a considerable distance behind. Mufti, however, soon got abreast of Orwell and the pair ran right away from the remainder, who were bunched together. Going up the hill Mufti lost ground and allowed Guiding Star to take second place, but the distance between him and the leader was about four lengths at the village. In the straight none of the ponies could gain any advantage on Orwell, who passed the post a very comfortable winner. Hedgerose and Mufti had a close race for third place, the former obtaining that position by only half a length. Desperation being fifth. Time, 3 mins. 14½ secs.

The Encouragement Stakes; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $100 added; for subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; previous winners excluded; weight for inches as per scale. Once round.

The Neighbour's Landsknecht, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Burkhill) 1
Messrs. Paul & Joe's Sprightly, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. W. Cox) 2
Mr. Sopia Paudo's Circuit, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Davis) 3
Mr. Bobjack's Chaffinch, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. P. A. Cox) 0
Mr. Buxey's Golden Link, 11st. 1lb ...... (Mr. Wuilleumier) 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Shetland, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Cruickshank) 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's Prior's Wood, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Capt. Loveband) 0
Messrs. McKie & Gove's Beachcomber, 10st. 9lbs. ...... (Mr. Crawford) 0
Mr. Medico's Hector, 10st. 9lbs ...... (Mr. Marshall) 0
Mr. Tierce's Carleton, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Hart Buck) 0
Mr. Wayfoong's Rupee, 10st. 12lbs ...... (Mr. Anderson) 0

Very little difficulty was experienced in getting the ponies away. Shetland was the first to show up. The race was somewhat of a scramble until the village was reached, when Landsknecht came gamely out of the ruck, took first place, and won with comparative ease by three lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third, Beachcomber being fourth Time, 1 min. 57 secs.

The following is to-day's programme:—

The Scurry Stakes; a sweepstakes of $10 each; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winners 7lbs. extra. One mile.

The Exchange Plate; presented by the bankers and exchange brokers of Hongkong; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; *bona fide* griffins on date of entry allowed 5lbs.; winners at this meeting 5lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and three quarters.

The Garrison Cup; presented by the officers of the garrison; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winners 7lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

The German Cup; presented by members of the German Club; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for subscription griffins of this season, 1897-98; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

The Navy Cup; presented by officers of H.M. fleet; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners of one race at this meeting 7lbs. extra; of two or more races, 10lbs. extra; previous non-starters to carry 12st.; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

The Jockey Cup; value $150; second pony to receive $50; for subscription ponies of any season, winners excluded; to be ridden by jockeys who have not had more than two winning mounts previous to this meeting in Hongkong or China; non-winners allowed 5lbs.; winners of one race, weight for inches as per scale; winners of two races 5lbs. extra; entrance $5. One mile.

The Flyaway Stakes; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $100 added; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; subscription ponies of any season non-winners allowed 7lbs.; subscription ponies of any season winners allowed 3lbs.; previous winners at this meeting 7lbs. extra. Three quarters of a mile.

The Tai Yeuk Fong Cup; value $200; presented; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; subscription griffins weight for inches as per scale, other griffins 7lbs. extra; previous winners 7lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and a half.

The Professional Cup; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; previous winners at this meeting of one race 5lbs. extra; of two races 7lbs. extra; and of three or more races 10lbs. extra; non-starters at this meeting excluded; entrance $10. One mile and a half.

The Gymkhana Stakes; value $150, presented by the Gymkhana Committee, added to a sweepstakes of $5 each; for subscription ponies of any season; winners and previous non-starters excluded; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale. One mile.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR JOHN CARRINGTON (CHIEF JUSTICE).

D. A. GUBBAY AND OTHERS v. E. R. BELILIOS.

JUDGMENT.—(Continued.)

On the 15th May, 1895, some 40 members of the community signed a document in which they stated that they were "agreeable that Messrs. D. R. Sassoon, M. D. Ezekiel, E. R. Belilios, and A. J. David should become trustees and receive the whole of the property, furniture, etc., and any available fund belonging to the present synagogue in this colony." On the same date the following document was executed:—

Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

At the request of our community of this colony we the undersigned are willing to become trustees and to receive the whole of the property and any available fund belonging to the present synagogue.

D. R. SASSOON.
E. R. BELILIOS.
A. J. DAVID.

Mr. D. R. Sassoon was at that time the senior resident partner of Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co. Mr. Ezekiel apparently did not sign because of his connection with Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co. It will be observed that in these documents no mention is made of the proposed new synagogue or of its site, although no doubt the appointment was connected with both these matters.

On the 20th May, 1896, Messrs. D. R. Sassoon and A. J. David and the defendant wrote to Mr. J. E. Sassoon informing him of their appointment as trustees, "together with his representative," and asking that the existing synagogue and his promised donation of $5,000 might be handed to them. Then there occurs the following paragraph:—

"It is the intention of the community to sell the old property, and with the proceeds thereof plus your grant of $5,000 to buy a suitable site and build upon it a synagogue and call it 'Ohel Lea.' The enclosed copy of report of the architects, Messrs. Leigh and Orange, will show the estimated cost of the ground and buildings."

Then they suggested that, "in order to avoid unnecessary delay which might interfere with the favourable opportunity they had now of putting through the business, they would be obliged if he would wire to his firm the word 'Synagogue,' from which they would understand that he was agreeable, and that they should proceed with the work at once." Next they make another appeal to him to increase his donation, in order that the building might be made larger and more worthy of the community.

This letter is undoubtedly of considerable importance in determining the position occupied by the community and the defendant respectively with regard to the land applied for. It was drafted by Mr. Silas and it is signed by the defendant and two other representatives of the community. It was written some three weeks after the date of Mr. Moses' letter to Mr. Silas, informing him of the application for the land. Yet it contains no reference whatever to that application. The receiver of the letter could form no idea that a site had been actually applied for; indeed the wording of it would lead him to adopt the contrary conclusion. It is true that Messrs. Leigh and Orange's report of the 19th October, 1895, was enclosed in the letter. This fact indirectly intimates to Mr. J. E. Sassoon that it was proposed to place the synagogue on the Kennedy Road site. But what was the specific recommendation of that report with respect to this site? Not that lots Nos. 1,216 and 1,217 should be applied for, but a smaller lot, containing an area of 33,000 square feet, which would be "amply large for the purpose"—that is, an area some 10,000 square feet less than that of the combined lots and some 13,000 square feet less than that of lot No. 1,381. The inference from these facts is, in my judgment, more consistent with the defendant's contention that he applied for lot No. 1,381 for himself with the intention of letting the community have as much as was required for the synagogue than with the contention of the plaintiffs that he applied for it on their behalf and as their agent.

Mr. Cooper replied to Mr. Danby's letter of application as follows:—

Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 12th June, 1896.

Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 28th April, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has approved of the land between the Tramway and Albany Nullah being put up to auction, subject to the following conditions, viz.:—

Term of lease 999 years.

Premium at the rate of 15 cents per square foot.

Annual Crown rent at the rate of $327 per acre.

A sum not less than $12,000 to be expended upon rateable improvements within 18 months of the date of sale.

Only buildings of the class known as European dwelling houses to be erected on the lot.

The boundaries to be set out by the Director of Public Works.

I shall be obliged if you will be so good as to inform me if you accept the above conditions.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

FRANCIS A. COOPER,
Director of Public Works.

The condition as to the character of the buildings to be erected on the lot was relied upon, both in the defendant's answer and at the hearing, as precluding the erection of such a building as a synagogue. But I think there is nothing in this point, for the reasons, first, that, assuming the application to have been really made for the community, the restriction would no doubt have been readily relaxed by the Government so as to admit of the erection of a synagogue, and, secondly, on the defendant's own showing, this relaxation would have been necessary in respect of that part of the lot on which he intended the synagogue to be placed.

On the same day, namely, the 12th June, 1896, Mr. Danby wrote to Mr. Cooper to say that he had seen his client and he was prepared to agree to all the conditions mentioned in Mr. Cooper's letter. He also inquired how soon the lot could be advertised for sale. It is worthy of note that this acceptance of the conditions was signified without any reference on the point being made by the defendant to the representatives of the community.

On the 18th June, 1896, Mr. Danby wrote to Mr. Cooper a letter of which the first paragraph is as follows:—

"Adverting to my letter of the 28th April last, applying for the piece of ground on Kennedy Road between the Tramway and the Nullah near Garden Road, I am now requested by my client to ask if you would kindly put up to public auction sale at the same time the piece of ground laying to the south of the above lot and the MacDonnel Road, the boundaries of which would be somewhat as follows:—

"North.—The South boundary of the ground applied for on the 28th April.
"South.—The MacDonnel Road.
"East.—Government ground near Tramway.
"West.— Do. do. Stone Nullah."

The two lots for which application is made in this letter on behalf of the defendant make up, together with Lot No. 1,381, the block of land lying between Kennedy Road on the North and MacDonnell Road on the South and between the Tramway on the East and Garden Road on the West.

A good deal of evidence was placed before the Court with reference to the circumstances connected with the making of this application. It was alleged on the part of the plaintiffs that Mr. Danby on the 16th June, 1896, while at the spot, made an offer to Mr. C. P. Chater, the managing director of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited,—who had spoken favourably of the two lots in question,—to apply for the lots for the Company, and that, when Mr. Chater informed him that Messrs. Palmer and Turner would so apply, he said he must take care of himself and would advise the defendant to apply. Mr. A. S. Hooper and Mr. M. S. Northcote, officers of the Company, were called to prove these allegations. Mr. Chater was not called as a witness. On the other hand Mr. Danby in cross-examination denied the correctness of these statements, and affirmed that on the day in question he "told Mr. Chater that the defendant had told him to apply for the site to build a house for himself;" that "Mr. Chater asked him if he had actually applied," and he said he had not. The defendant and Mr. Danby both say that the defendant had had the two upper lots in his mind and had spoken about them to Mr. Danby at the time of or shortly after the making of the application for the lower lot. The defendant says he gave Mr. Danby instructions to apply for the two upper lots soon after the application for the lower lot was made. But it would seem that he is mistaken in this statement, for Mr. Danby puts the time about the middle of June, 1896, and his own letter, to which I will immediately refer, puts it about the beginning of June.

Some controversy took place between the Company and the defendant with regard to the priority of their respective claims to have these two lots put up, and several letters on the subject passed between Mr. J. J. Bell-Irving, the Chairman of the Company, and the defendant. In the defendant's letter of the 31st July, 1896, there occurs the following passage:—"Mr. Danby never recommended me to apply for the land; it was purely and solely my own idea. I contemplated buying it as early as April last. I was unaware of the conversation Mr. Chater had with Mr. Danby until the former informed me of it in the Club on Monday evening last (27th.) For several years past whenever I happened to be walking on Kennedy Road it struck me that whoever bought the mutilated site must of necessity buy the land above it, so that the upper and lower sites may be thrown into one and two or three terraces prepared for the purpose of building villas thereon. About the end of April I applied to the Government to put up for sale the ground in question. At the same time I told Mr. Danby that some day in future I would instruct him to buy for me the site overlooking it. Then the object was to get the Jewish community to build a synagogue there. Sometime in the latter part of May it came to my ears that some influential members of our community were averse to have a synagogue on that ground. It then occurred to me that I should be the purchaser of that property. I then, about the beginning of June, asked Mr. Danby to apply for the high land in question."

The expression "mutilated site" used in this letter is said to refer to Lot No. 1,381, which has been a good deal broken up by the Public Works Department for quarrying purposes. There are one or two other difficulties of interpretation which I will refer to a little later on, when I come to consider the bearing of this letter on the main transaction, namely, the application for and purchase of lot No. 1,381.

With the defendant's letter there was enclosed a memorandum by Mr. Danby, bearing the same date, namely, the 31st July, 1896, and giving an explanation of the facts from his point of view. This memorandum does not bear out Mr. Danby's denial of Messrs. Hooper and Northcote's evidence nor does it support the defendant's statement in his letter above quoted as to his instructing Mr. Danby to apply at the beginning of June. On the whole I come to the conclusion that the defendant did not definitely instruct Mr. Danby to apply for the two upper lots until the 7th June, 1896, that is, the day after Mr. Danby's conversation with Mr. Chater.

On the 3rd August, 1896, Mr. Bell-Irving, although evidently not satisfied with the defendant's explanation, writes to him to say that, "as his application had first reached the Government, the Land Investment Company would not bid for the property in question."

Now, what is the real bearing of this transaction on the main question in the case, namely, on whose behalf was lot No. 1,381 acquired? We are not now concerned with the question whether or not Mr. Danby or the defendant behaved badly to the Land Investment Company, but we are concerned with the question of what connexion there is between the application for and purchase of the lower lot and the application for the two upper lots,—with the question, What light does the later transaction throw on the earlier? On this point I am satisfied by the evidence before me that the defendant applied for the two upper lots with the idea that he would probably be able to utilise them in conjunction with the lower lot, either in whole or in part. I believe that he had begun to have doubts whether the community would decide to place the synagogue in that situation, in which case he would have the whole of the lower lot on his hands. I believe also that, whether or not he entertained this notion in the first instance, he had by this time begun to think that the eastern portion of the lower lot would be sufficient for a site for the synagogue and that the western portion would be available to him for the making of an approach from Kennedy Road to the two upper lots. If these conclusions are well-founded, the defendant's action in respect of the two upper lots, taken before the purchase of the lower lot, lends support to his contention that he was not purchasing the lower lot on behalf of the community.

On the 27th June, 1896, Lot No. 1,381 was advertised in *The Hongkong Government Gazette* for sale by public auction, to be held on the spot on the 13th July, 1896.

On the 1st July, 1896, Mr. Cooper wrote to Mr. Danby stating that the Governor had approved of Lots Nos. 1,382 and 1,383 being put up to sale, and mentioning the conditions on which they would be so put up.

Next, Mr. Elias wrote to Mr. Silas the following letter:—

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1896.

My dear Silas,—Mr. Belilios desires me to inform you that the site of the proposed synagogue in Kennedy Road is advertised for sale on the 13th instant at 4.30 p.m. in last Saturday's *Government Gazette*. He hopes that we shall get the telegram from Mr. Jacob Sassoon before then, and that the trustees—the three of them—will be present at the sale in order that there may not be any outside competition as several people have their eyes on the lot.—Yours sincerely,

ELIAS.

It does not appear to me that this letter helps in any way to a solution of the difficulty in the case. It is a letter which might very well have been written on any one of the three possible hypotheses, namely, first, that the defendant was buying the land for the community, secondly, that he was buying it for himself but with the intention of letting the community have it, if they desired to do so, and, thirdly, that he was buying it for himself but with the intention of letting the community have a portion of it, if they desired to do so. In any of these cases the attendance of the trustees, and the public intimation thus made that it was proposed to erect a synagogue on the land, would tend to avert competition and so keep down the price of the land. To secure that attendance for this purpose was the sole object of the letter. It is a proof of how little interest the representatives of the community took in the matter that Mr. Silas did not answer the letter, and that none of the trustees attended the sale or made any excuse for not doing so. Indeed, from the time of receiving Mr. Moses' letter of the 29th April, informing them of the application, until the purchase of the land, they appear not to have concerned themselves at all in the matter.

On the 10th July, 1896, Mr. Danby wrote to Mr. Cooper accepting, on behalf of the defendant, the conditions mentioned in Mr. Cooper's letter of the 1st July, 1896, with reference to the sale of Inland Lots Nos. 1,382 and 1,383, and asking that they might be advertised for sale as soon as convenient.

Then we reach the final act in the first part of this transaction. On the 13th July, 1896, the defendant attended the sale of lot No. 1,381 and bought it for the sum of $6,931. This sum he has paid, and he has also paid all Crown rent due up to the present time. On this date the expected telegram from Mr. J. E. Sassoon had not been received.

I have now stated and examined, so far as I find them material, all the facts and circumstances which preceded and led up to the sale and purchase of lot No. 1,381 on the 13th July, 1896. The plaintiffs' case is that the defendant attended the sale "for and on behalf of the community" and purchased the lot "in his own name but for and on behalf of the community," or, in other words, that, on the fall of the hammer, he became trustee of the lot for the community. The decision must therefore turn upon the answer to the question, What was the true object and meaning of the defendant, as evidenced by his precedent acts and declarations, in making the successful bid? As I have already said, if a clear and satisfactory answer can be given to this question, one way or the other, then the case is at an end and it is unnecessary to enter into a consideration of acts and declarations subsequent to the sale and purchase. But, although I am inclined to hold that the plaintiffs have up to this stage failed to sustain their contention, yet I think, having regard to ambiguity and vagueness which run through much of the evidence, that it will be proper to ascertain what assistance in arriving at a correct decision can be derived from an examination of the subsequent conduct of the parties. I will endeavour to make this examination brief, because I do not think that, generally speaking, so much importance is to be attached to what took place after as to what took, place before the sale and purchase. I proceed, then, with this further examination.

On the 31st July, 1896, the defendant wrote to Mr. Bell-Irving a letter from which I have already read an extract. This letter is so loosely worded that it is difficult to satisfy oneself as to its true interpretation. It was writ-

ten in explanation of the time and circumstances of the application made by the defendant for lots Nos. 1,382 and 1,383, but it incidentally refers to his application for lot No. 1,381. On the whole I take its meaning to be that the defendant applied for Lot No. 1,381 is his own name but with the object of getting the community to build a synagogue there; that in the latter part of May he learned the existence of an influential opposition to that site; that it then occurred to him that, in consequence of this opposition, the lot would probably remain his property, instead of being taken from him by the community, and that he accordingly, about the beginning of June, asked Mr. Danby to apply for the two upper lots in order that he might utilise them in conjunction with the lower lot. This construction is born out by a letter from Mr. Danby, which, it will be remembered, was enclosed in the defendant's letter and which the defendant had read and the statements in which he says he "corroborates." The material portion of this letter is as follows:—

"Hongkong, 31st July, 1896.

"The Hon. E. R. Belilios, C.M.G.

"Dear Sir,—In accordance with your instructions, I forward you the following memoranda respecting the two sites on the Kennedy Road on the West side of the Tramway.

"On the 27th of April last, I received instructions from yourself to send in an application to the Director of Public Works, to apply for the piece of ground on the Kennedy Road, between the Tramway and the Stone Bridge over the Nullah (and known as the synagogue site) to be put up to public auction sale, the written application for which was sent Mr. Cooper on the following day, viz., on the 28th April.

"A few days after, during a conversation I had with you on the Club verandah, you informed me that your idea in acquiring this ground was to offer it to the Jewish community, as a site for a new synagogue; whether it would be acceptable to them or otherwise, you could not tell at the time as the matter had to be referred to Bombay; should the Jewish community, however, decide eventually not to adapt it as a site for their synagogue, you would retain it yourself, in which case you might possibly purchase the site above it, and erect European houses on both lots.

"Sometime about the beginning of June, Mr. Chater informed me that he had been given to understand that your community were not in favour of your new synagogue and project. I inferred then from our previous conversation that you would retain this ground for building purposes should you become its purchaser, which you did eventually, the site being put up to public auction sale on the 13th inst."

Nothing could be clearer than this statement of the object and purposes of the defendant in applying for Lot No. 1,381. It is inconsistent with the plaintiff's position that he applied for the lot on behalf of the community, that is, acting as their agent or representative in the matter; it is consistent with his own position that he applied for it with the intention of offering it, or at any rate a portion of it, to the community. The value of the two letters to which I am now referring lies in the fact that they were written within a little over a fortnight of the purchase of lot No. 1,381, and before any dispute had arisen with regard to the circumstances of the acquisition of that lot.

On the 11th August, 1896, the defendant became the purchaser from the Crown of lots Nos. 1,382 and 1,383. He thus had the legal title, or at any rate the right to call for the legal title, to the entire block of land which I have already described.

About the middle of August, 1896, Mr. Danby began to take levels and make surveys of the block. This work was continued from time to time during the next few following months, and by December a plan of the contours of the block was completed. Mr. Danby says that the defendant often pressed him to get on with the plans for the buildings which were to be erected but he told him that he could do nothing until the question of the synagogue was settled.

Next comes the following letter:—

London, 27th October, 1896.

J. E. Sassoon, Esq.

Dear Sir,—We are in receipt of your favour of the 25th ult. respecting the synagogue in Hongkong and in reply we would now inform you that we are agreeable to all the terms and conditions therin stated and trust that you will kindly instruct your firm here to transfer to us the whole of the property belonging to the present synagogue and the sum of $5,000 you have agreed to contribute, for which we thank you.

In the meantime we shall proceed to negotiate in concert with your firm's representative for the sale of the present synagogue property and the selection of the site for the building of the new one, as we deem it advisable to do so without farther delay.

Reciprocating your wishes of the compliments of the season,—We are, dear sir, sincerely yours,

D. R. Sassoon.
E. R. Belilios.
A. J. David.

This letter was drafted by Mr. Silas and was signed by Messrs. D. R. Sassoon and A. J. David and the defendant. The facts relating to the application for and the acquisition of Lot No. 1,381 must be presumed to have been in the knowledge of all these persons. Yet how do they treat the transaction in writing to Mr. J. E. Sassoon, who had a vital interest in it? Do they write to inform him that, since the date of their last latter to him—the 20th May, 1896—the defendant had purchased, on behalf of the community, the site referred to in that letter; that he had paid for it; and that they were anxious to take it over from him and to commence building the new synagogue upon it? If the three first-named gentlemen had at that time taken the view of the transaction which they have since put forward, surely these things, or something like these things, are what they would have written to Mr. Sassoon. But they do not write these things or anything like them. On the contrary, they treat the question of the site as still open, as still matter for selection and negotiation. The observation also occurs that if the defendant had really bought and held the land on behalf of the community, he would hardly have signed a letter which entirely ignores the transaction.

What meaning Mr. D. E. Sassoon put upon the reference to the question of the site in this letter is plain from his letter in reply. This letter is as follows:—

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1896.

The Hon. E. R. Belilios, D. R. Sassoon, A. J. David.

Dear Sirs,—Your two favours of the 27th October and 18th ulto. have duly come to hand. All the deeds and documents relating to the present synagogue are with our Hongkong firm and I am writing to them to pay over to you, as the anticipated trustees of the new synagogue, $5,000 on my behalf. I hear that the synagogue property is worth $25,000 and I rely upon you to realise the highest sum possible. This amount, together with my donation, will enable you to erect a new synagogue and no doubt you will see that the new building will be as nice, pretty, airy, and comfortable as it is possible for a place of worship to be, and what is most essential that it be built on a good site; when the new site has been selected and the building is ready, it is my desire that the following be inscribed on a marble slab, both in Hebrew and English, and placed in a conspicuous position in the new synagogue, viz.:—"This synagogue is presented by Mr. Jacob Sassoon and his brothers to the Jewish community of Hongkong in memory of their revered mother Leah." The new synagogue should therefore be called after her name, "Ohel Leah."—Yours faithfully,

J. E. Sassoon.

In this letter Mr. J. E. Sassoon presses on these gentlemen, who say they had already got a site, but who had not told him of it, the importance of building on "a good site" and treats the selection of the site as a matter still *in futuro.*

(To be continued)

SHIPPING REPORT.

The British steamer *Hailoong*, from Tamsui 11th Feb., Amoy 13th, and Swatow 14th, had light N.E. wind and fine weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow light variable wind and hazy weather. From Swatow to Chelang light W.S.W. wind and hazy. From Chelang to port light N.N.W. wind and hazy. In Tamsui—Str. *Esang*. In Amoy—Str. *Cheang Hock Kian*. In Swatow—Strs. *Taicheong* and *Machew*.

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" " " 6 " 3½ "
" " " 3 " 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1897. [17

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [14

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND ... $8,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. $10,000,000

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [13

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1897. [15

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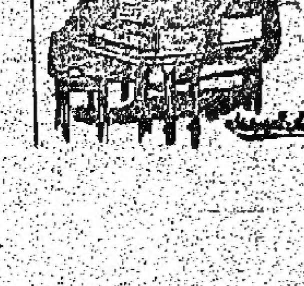

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [67

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 14, PRAYA CENTRAL, on MONDAY, the 21st February, 1898, at 12 o'clock NOON for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the statement of accounts to the 31st December, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 21st February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1898. [325

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on MONDAY, the 21st February, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1897, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 21st February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1898. [330

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 4, PRAYA CENTRAL, at 12 o'clock (NOON), on TUESDAY, the 22nd February for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1898. [342

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, at NOON, on TUESDAY, 22nd February, and the TRANSFER BOOKS CLOSED from 12th to 22nd February, instead of as previously advertised.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1898. [375

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 9, PRAYA CENTRAL, on SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to 30th September, 1897.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [454

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at Twelve o'clock (NOON), for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 28th February, both days inclusive.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898. [382

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at 12.15 o'clock P.M., when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed.

RESOLUTIONS.

That Articles Nos. 53 and 122 of the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by eliminating therefrom the word "February" and substituting therefor the word "March."

That Article No. 7 be altered by inserting the words "or Extra Reserve Fund" immediately after the word "Fund" in the sixth line of the said Article, and the words "and Extra Reserve Fund" immediately after the word "Fund" in the seventh line of the said Article.

That Article No. 121 be altered by inserting the words "and subject to the provisions of Articles 121A and 121B" immediately after the word "sum" and before the word "be" in the fourth line of such Article.

That the following Articles be inserted immediately after Article No. 121 and be numbered Articles 121A and 121B.

121A.—"Although the Reserve Fund may "amount to the sum of One Million "Dollars the Directors may nevertheless "at their discretion from time to time "appropriate a portion, not exceeding "ten *per cent.* of the net income and pro"fits earned by the Company in any one "year, to the formation of an additional "Reserve Fund, to be called 'Extra Re"serve Fund.'"

121B.—"The monies standing at the credit "of the Extra Reserve Fund may be "applicable for the equalization of "dividends, and such monies, or some "portion thereof, may, whenever the "Directors shall think fit, be appropriated "towards the equalization of dividends."

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1898. [383

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY, will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, PEDDER'S STREET, on MONDAY, the 28th day of February, 1898, at 12.30 of the Clock in the AFTERNOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1897, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th February, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 31st January, 1898. [331

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For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency,
J. G. F. AUGUSTIN,
Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG,
E. L. HUNTER,
Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
S. CHOH,
Agent.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1898. [424

INSURANCE HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES.

THE Undermentioned Insurance Offices will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at 11.45 A.M. TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), and TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), the 16th and 17th instant, respectively.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. [414

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Hongkong, 13th July, 1897. [2858

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Hongkong, 8th January, 1898. [161

TO LET.

ROOMS on GROUND FLOOR of COLLEGE CHAMBERS. Suitable for Offices.
Apply to
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Hongkong, 8th January, 1898. [51

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES—
BAHAR LODGE at the PEAK.
HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE.
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GODOWNS in BLUE BUILDINGS.
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1898. [48

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ROOMS at "GLENTHORNE," Kowloon; healthy and airy residence enjoying a fine view.
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Hongkong, 15th January, 1898. [221

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ROOMS or OFFICES in BEACONSFIELD ARCADE.
OFFICES in BANK BUILDINGS now occupied by Messrs. BRADLEY & Co.
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Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [457

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Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [444

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LARGE GODOWN on KOWLOON PRAYA, suitable for the Storage of Merchandize or Coal.
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Hongkong, 19th January, 1898. [86

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"WEST END TERRACE."
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Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [70

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COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board.
Apply to Mrs. MATHER,
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Bengal* left Singapore for this port with the incoming English mail on the 14th instant, at 6 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here about Sunday next, the 20th instant, at 2 p.m.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Oceanien*, with the French mail of the 14th ultimo, left Saigon on Sunday, the 13th instant, at 5 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 16th instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 8th December.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *Peru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 25th ultimo.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 3rd instant.

The P. M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai on the 12th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. steamer *Empress of Japan*, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohama on Monday, the 14th instant, at 11 a.m., and leaves today at 11 a.m. for Kobe where she is expected to arrive on Wednesday, the 16th instant, at 10 a.m.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The C. N. Co's steamer *Tsinan*, from Australian ports, left port Darwin on the 7th inst, and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 7th instant.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. P. steamer *Olympia* has arrived at Yokohama from Portland, Or.

The N. P. steamer *Braemar* sailed from Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 3rd instant.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer *Amphitrite* left Kobe for this port on the 10th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Idzumi Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 9th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 15th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kamakura Maru* (Europe Line) left Kobe, via. Moji, for this port on the 9th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 16th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Kamakura Maru* (European Line) left Shimonoseki for this port on the 13th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 17th instant.

The C. Mutual steamer *Oanfa*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal about 31st ultimo, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 18th instant.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Tokio Maru* (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port on the 8th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 18th instant.

The N. G. I. steamer *Letimbro* left Singapore on the 12th instant, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 18th instant.

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—18th January.—*Benlomond, Devonshire, Lennox, Socotra.* 21st January—*Glenshiel, Pathan, Ceres.* 25th Jan.—*Venus.* 28th Jan.—*Gisela, Ixion, Dardanus, Melbourne, Anapa, Trieste.* 31st Jan.—*Ailsa, Oceana, Energia.* 1st February—*Craig.* 4th February.—*Gerda, Benvoirlich, Sunda.* 8th February—*Hounslow.* 11th February—*Menelaus, Alton, Glaucus, Latona.*

HOMEWARD.—11th Feb.—*Myrmidon, Niobe, Yarrowdale.*

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

PEAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok.—Per *Chowtai*, to-day, the 16th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Amoy and Tamsui.—Per *Haimun*, to-day, the 16th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Yuensang*, to-day, the 16th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Amoy.—Per *Jason*, to-day, the 16th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Saigon.—Per *Wuotan*, to-day, the 16th inst., at Noon.

For Wuchow.—Per *Lee On*, to-day, the 16th instant, at Noon.

For Samarang and Soarabaya.—Per *Shantung*, to-morrow, the 17th inst., at Noon.

For Singapore, Penang and Colombo.—Per *Komakura Maru*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at Noon.

For Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Idzumi Maru*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at Noon.

For Singapore and Colombo.—Per *Irène*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at Noon.

For Singapore.—Per *Shanghai*, on Friday, the 18th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Shanghai, Jinsen, Shimonoseki, and Kobe.—Per *Sagami Maru*, on Friday, the 18th inst., at 3.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama.—Per *Rohilla*, on Saturday, the 19th inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Tokio Maru*, on Monday, the 21st inst., at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore, Colombo and Bombay.—Per *Matsuyama Maru*, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., 10.30 A.M.

For Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, Wn.—Per *Victoria*, on Tuesday, 22nd instant, at 10.30 A.M.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACKET.

The Canadian Mail Packet *Empress of India* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th inst., with Mails for Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
10.45 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Ganges*, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 19th inst., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M. Mail Closes.
LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with 10 cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M. after which hour they may be sent on board with the same late fee.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.

The German Contract Packet *Sachsen*, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 1st March, with Mails for the United Kingdom Europe and countries beyond, *via Naples*, to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.
Registry ceases at 7.30 A.M.
The mail closes at 8.00 A.M. Late letter 8.10 to 8.30 A.M. with 10 cents extra posage.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Belgic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, and San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10 A.M. Registry ceases.
11 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

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COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
TUESDAY, 15th February
EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1/10⅛
Bank Bills, on demand ... 1/10⅛
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ... 1/10¼
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ... 1/10⅜
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 1/10½
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 1/10½

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 2.36
Credits, at 4 months' sight ... 2.39½

ON GERMANY.—
On demand ... 1.90½

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand ... 45⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 46⅛

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 140¼
Bank, on demand ... 141

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 140¼
Bank, on demand ... 141

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight ... 73¾
Private, 30 days' sight ... 74¾

ON YOKOHAMA.—
On demand ... 7¾ % pm.

ON MANILA.—
On demand ... 11 % pm.

ON SINGAPORE.—
On demand ... 1 % pm.

SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate ... 10.55
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ... 55.00

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		($341.25), ex div.
Hongkong & S'hai.	$125	173 p. ct. prem.,
China & Japan, prf.	£5	nominal
Do. ordinary	£3 10s.	nominal
Do. deferred	£1	£5. 5s., buyers
Natl. Bank of China		
B. Shares	£8	$19
Foun. Shares	£1	$19
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	£1	$5
Campbell, Moore & Co.	$10	$8.75
China Sugar	$100	$171, buyers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	Tls. 100	Tls. 100, sellers
Hongkong	$20	$17, sellers
International	Tls. 100	Tls. 111
Laou Kung Mow	Tls. 100	Tls. 110
Soychee	Tls. 500	Tls. 520, ex div.
Yahloong	Tls. 100	Tls. 90
Dairy Farm	$5	$5¾
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$30½, buyers
Green Island Cement	$10	$33¾, sellers
Do. New Issue	$2½	$17½, sellers
H. & C. Bakery	$50	$33
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$120
Hongkong Electric	$10	$[illegible], sellers
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$105
Hongkong Hotel	$50	$53, sellers
Hongkong Ice	$25	$107, sellers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$59, buyers
Hongkong Rope	$50	$174
H. & W. Dock	$125	237, p. ct. prem., $421.25, buyers
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$150, sellers
China Fire	$20	$108
China Traders'	$25	$68, sellers
Hongkong Fire	$50	$372½, sellers
North-China	£25	Tls. 198, sales
Straits	$20	$14, sellers
Union	$25	$222½, sales
Yangtsze	$60	$140, sales
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv.	$50	$73
Humphreys Estate	$10	$9.25, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$17½
West Point Building	$40	$20¾
Luzon Sugar	$100	$42½, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 500	$140, buyers
Gt. Estn. & C'donian	$5	$6, sellers
Do.	$2½	$3.15
Jelebu	$5	$2
New Balmoral	$1	$1.40, sellers
Do. Preference	$1	$1.65, sellers
Oliver's Mines, A.	$5	$19, sellers
Do. B.	$2½	$7½, sellers
Punjom	$5	$6½, sellers
Do. Preference.	$1	$1.00
Raubs	18s. 10d.	$21½
New Amoy Dock	$10	$17½, sellers
Steamship Coys.—		
China and Manila	$50	$76, sellers
China Mutual Ord.	£10	£7 10s. sales & b.
Do. Preference.	£10	£5 10s. sales & b.
Do. Do.	£5	£2 15s. sales & b.
Douglas Steamship	$50	$57½
H., Canton and M.	$15	$26½
Indo-China S. N.	£10	$55
Tebrau Planting Co.	$5	$5, sellers
Do.	$2	$2, sales
United Asbestos	$2	$2, sellers
Do.	$10	$10, nominal
Wanchai Warehouse	$37½	$41½
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$12

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OPIUM.

		with allowance of	
New Malwa (this year's)	$730	0 to ½	cents
Do. (last year's)	$710	½ to 1½	"
Old Malwa (2/3 years)	$800	1 to 6	"
Old Malwa (4/5 y'rs)	$820	0 to 2	"
Old Malwa (6/7 years)	$900	0 to 2½	"

New Patna ... $713¾ New Benares ... $708¾
Old Benares ... $720
Persian ... $540 to $665
Oily and Paper-wrapped ... $400 to $630

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 14th FEBRUARY, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	30.02	—	—	s	4	—	...
Kochi	30.07	—	—	—	0	—	...
Nagasaki	30.07	—	—	SE	4	—	...
Kagoshima	30.03	—	—	E	2	—	...
Gutzlaff	29.98	50	100	SE	4	f	...
Sharp Peak	29.92	59	79	E	1	om	...
Amoy	29.92	62	83	SE	1	—	...
Swatow	—	—	—	ESE	2	c	...
Canton	29.84	74	81	SE	1	c	...
Hongkong	29.86	67	78	E	2	b	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	—	0	—	...
Gap Rock	29.86	—	—	ENE	3	—	...
Macao	29.87	72	—	SSE	1	c	...
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Bolinao	29.78	84	72	N	1	b	...
Manila	29.80	88	65	SE	1	c	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	NE	3	b	...
15th FEBRUARY, AT 10 A.M.							
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	30.10	—	—	NW	2	—	...
Kochi	30.11	—	—	—	0	—	...
Nagasaki	29.99	—	—	NE	4	—	...
Kagoshima	29.99	—	—	SE	6	—	...
Gutzlaff	29.93	—	—	SE	3	f	...
Sharp Peak	29.93	51	93	SW	1	[illegible]	...
Amoy	—	57	58	—	—	—	...
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Canton	29.92	67	95	SE	2	o	...
Hongkong	29.94	67	86	E	1	o	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	SSE	2	—	...
Gap Rock	29.93	—	—	ENE	2	—	...
Macao	29.94	70	—	SSE	1	o	...
Haiphong	29.92	69	97	SE	1	r	...
Bolinao	29.86	87	72	SE	1	b	...
Manila	29.92	84	64	ESE	2	b	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	E	5	c	...

On the 15th at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has fallen on the China coast and in W. Japan. Pressure remains low over Central China, and highest in Central Japan. Gradients slight generally. Forecast:—Light E. or varying winds; cloudy, probably some rain.

HONGKONG REGISTER

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.69	29.94	29.82
Temperature	67	67	70
Humidity	78	86	81
Direction of wind	E	E	ENE
Force	2	1	1
Weather	b	o	o
Rain	—	0.01	—

Highest open air temperature on the 14th ... 71
Lowest open air temperature on the 14th ... 61

F. G. FIGG, Acting Director.
Hongkong Observatory, 15th February, 1898.

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER, 14th Feb.
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HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.
16th to 22nd February.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water: Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water: Height.	Low Water: Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water: Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	16	No inferior high-; 4 40 a	4 0	nor low-	water.
Thurs	17	m 1 53; 5 56 a	1 8; 5 0	m 0 55; m 10 0	-1 [illegible]; 1 6
Fri.	18	m 8 56; 7 0 a	1 11; 5 3	m 1 43; 0 5 a	-1 4; 1 4
Sat.	19	m 0 16; 8 7 a	2 2; 5 5	m 2 22; 1 12 a	-1 5; 1 1
Sun.	20	m 9 33; 8 56 a	2 4; 5 5	m 2 57; 2 4 a	-1 8; 0 7
Mon.	21	m 10 13; 9 43 a	2 9; 5 2	m 3 35; 2 52 a	-1 7; 0 2
Tues.	22	m 10 29; 10 27 a	3 1; 4 9	m 4 2; 3 [illegible] a	-1 0; -0 1

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

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Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.	Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
*VICTORIA...	3,167	J. Truebridge	Feb. 22	BRAEMAR ...	3,601	E. Porter	March 15
OLYMPIA ...	2,608	T. H. Dobson	March 8	MOGUL ...	3,654	W. H. Wright	March 20
COLUMBIA...	2,605	A. Gow............	April 5	ARGYLL ...	2,907	W. Ward	May 3
TACOMA......	2,549	A. Dixon	April 26				

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [9

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
IDZUMI MARU .... R. Nunome	KOBE & YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 17th February, at 4 P.M.
KAMAKURA MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON, & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	THURSDAY, 17th February, at 4 P.M.
SAGAMI MARU .... T. Murai	SHANGHAI, JINSEN, SHIMONOSEKI & KOBE	FRIDAY, 18th February, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU .... E. W. Haswell	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 21st February, at 4 P.M.
MATSUYAMA MARU........ J. Nirei	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), & COLOMBO........	TUESDAY, 22nd February, at NOON.
OMI MARU .... C. Young	SYDNEY & MELBOURNE VIA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE & BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 25th February, at 4 P.M.

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For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [11

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON	SHANGHAI .... R. A. Peters	10 A.M. 18th February	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c........	GANGES .... T. F. Creery	Noon, 19th February	See Special Advertisement.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA........	ROHILLA .... S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R.	Daylight, 20th Feb.	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	BENGAL........ L. M. Wibmer, R.N.R.	About 20th February	Freight or Passage.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SOCOTRA .... J. Paine, R.N.R........	About 25th February	Freight.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ...	SUNDA .... S. C. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	About 5th March...	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	BORNEO........ F. C. A. Lyon, R.N.R.	About 5th March ...	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [1

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. ...WEDNESDAY, 16th Feb., 1898
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R. ....WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar., 1898
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. ....WEDNESDAY, 6th April, 1898

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA of JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1898. [8

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain J. Kynoch, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 16th inst., at NOON.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [452

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers).

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and BREMEN.)

THE Steamship

"IRENE,"

Captain R. Schuder, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 17th inst., at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. [436

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 16th inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [451

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SHANTUNG,"

Captain Frampton, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 17th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1898. [458

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"LYDERHORN,"

Captain Hammernes, will be despatched as above on or about the 25th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [12

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Diomed	Brit. str.	Bartlett	Butterfield & Swire	On 19th inst.
LONDON........	Shanghai	Brit. str.	Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 18th inst., at 10 A.M.
LONDON........	Sumatra	Brit. bk.	Jones	Wieler & Co.	February.
LONDON........	Borneo........	Brit. str.	Lyon, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 5th March.
LONDON VIA STRAITS, &c. ...	Ganges	Brit. str.	Creery	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
BREMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	Sachsen	Ger. str.	Supmer	Melchers & Co.	On 1st Mar., at 9 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, &c. ...	Kamakura Maru ...	Jap. str.	....	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON, ETC ...	Sydney	Fren. str.	Aubert	Messageries Maritimes.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, V. SHANGHAI, &c ...	Empress of India ...	Brit. str.	Marshall, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co. ...	To-day, at Noon.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA KOBE	Braemar	Brit. str.	Porter	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.....	On 15th March, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA V. S'HAI.	Victoria	Brit. str.	Truebridge	Dodwell, Carlill & Co. ...	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
TRIESTE V. STRAITS, BOMBAY, &c.	Amphitrite	Aus. str.	Costanzo	Sander & Co.	On 18th inst.
BALTIMORE	Standard	Amer. ship.	Snow........	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI	Belgic	Brit. str.	....	O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA S'HAI, &c.	Peru........	Amer. str.	....	P. M. S. S. Co.	On 3rd March, at Noon.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL ...	Ghazee	Brit. str.	....	Dodwell, Carlill & Co. ...	About 28th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	Lyderhorn	Brit. str.	....	Shewan, Tomes & Co. ...	On or about 25th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Rohilla	Brit. str.	Lockyer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 20th inst., Daylight
NAGASAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Socotra	Brit. str.	Paine, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 25th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Tokio Maru	Jap. str.	Haswell	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Idzumi Maru........	Jap. str.	Nunome	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA ...	Oceanien	Fren. str.	Schmitz	Messageries Maritimes. ...	On or about 15th inst.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA ...	Sunda........	Brit. str.	Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 5th March.
SHANGHAI, JINSEN, &c.	Sagami Maru........	Jap. str.	Murai	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	On 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Bengal	Brit. str.	Wibmer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 20th inst.
AMOY & TAMSUI........	Haimun	Brit. str.	Bathurst	Douglas Lapraik & Co. ...	To-day, at Noon.
SWATOW	Hailoong	Brit. str.	Rolls	Douglas Lapraik & Co. ...	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MANILA VIA AMOY	Yuensang	Brit. str.	Kynoch	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c....	Omi Maru	Jap. str.	Young	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	On 25th inst., at 4 P.M.
SAMARANG & SOURABAYA ...	Shantung	Brit. str.	Frampton........	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, HAVRE & HAMBURG.	Irene	Ger. str.	Schuder	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
S'PORE, COLOMBO, & BOMBAY....	Matsuyama Maru ...	Jap. str.	Nirei	Nippon Yusen Kaisha ...	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
STRAITS & BOMBAY &c.	Letimbro	Ita. str.	Belsito	Carlowitz & Co.	On 24th inst., at Noon.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"OCEANIEN,"

Captain Schmitz, will be despatched as above on or about the 15th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1898. [2

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY,

having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN, and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA, and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"LETIMBRO,"

Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., at NOON.

At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [6

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED,"

Captain Bartlett, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 19th inst.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1898. [96

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

BELGIC (via Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Feb. 22, 1898, at NOON.
COPTIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, March 12, 1898, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	THURSDAY, March 31, 1898, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "BELGIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 22nd February, 1898, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1898. [4

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GHAZEE"

will be despatched as above on or about 28th February.

To be followed by the

S.S. "PATHAN" sail about 20th Mar., 1898.
S.S. "LENNOX" do. 10th April, 1898.
S.S. "ENERGIA" do. 30th April, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1898. [2404-2670

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, MASSAWA, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE, FIUME, AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, ADRIATIC, and South African Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship

"AMPHITRITE,"

Captain G. Costanzo, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 18th inst., P.M.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 P.M. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [5

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"GANGES,"

Captain T. F. Creery, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 19th FEBRUARY, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1898. [1

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

PERU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, & Yokohama)	THURSDAY, March 3, 1898, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	TUESDAY, March 22, 1898, at NOON.
CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, April 9, 1898, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "PERU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA on THURSDAY, the 3rd March, 1898, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines. Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [3

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE S/S A. I. I. American Ship

"STANDARD,"

Snow, Master, shortly expected from Amoy, will load here for the above port during January.

For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1897. [5

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1898, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "SYDNEY," Captain Aubert, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S. S. "CALEDONIEN," which vessel takes on her passengers and mails, leaving that port on the ——— direct to Suez, Port Said, and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 25th February. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1898. [2

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG. PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

SACHSEN	Tuesday	1st March.
BAYERN	Wednesday...	30th Mar.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Wednesday...	27th April.
PREUSSEN	Wednesday...	25th May.
SACHSEN	Wednesday...	22nd June.
BAYERN	Wednesday...	20th July.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Wednesday...	17th Aug.
DARMSTADT	Wednesday...	14th Sept.
PREUSSEN	Wednesday...	12th Oct.
SACHSEN	Wednesday...	9th Nov.
BAYERN	Wednesday...	7th Dec.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Wednesday...	4th Jan.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 26th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 28th February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 28th February. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1898. [7

FOR LONDON.

THE British Barque

"SUMATRA,"

T. Jones, Master, will be despatched towards the end of February and has room for a limited quantity of Cargo.

For Freight, apply to

WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1898. [367

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [10

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"OBI"

having arrived from the above port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON, on the 25th February, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th February, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 18th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [487

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SACHSEN."

THE above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given THIS AFTERNOON, at 4 P.M.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 17th, and MONDAY, the 21st instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1898. [7

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LANGBANK,"

Captain Rout, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1898. [439

MRS. STOCKHAUSEN

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